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Reply To
Attn Of: AWT-107

Mr. Johnny Aiken,
Director, Planning Department
North Slope Borough
P.O. Box 69
Barrow, Alaska 99723

Re: Shell OCS Air Permit – Teleconferencing for Barrow Meetings

Dear Mr. Aiken:

On March 4, 2008, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) received your response to EPA's preliminary decision to issue an air quality permit to Shell Offshore, Inc. Your letter requested that EPA consider setting up a teleconference option for meetings scheduled in Barrow on March 25, 2008. EPA believes that, although teleconferencing can present some technological challenges, when working properly it would provide an opportunity for people located in North Slope communities outside of Barrow to listen and participate in the meetings. EPA is working to provide teleconference capabilities for these meetings and has established the following teleconference call-in number and conference call code.

Teleconference number: 1-866-299-3188

Conference Call Code: 2065531037 #

As published in our public notice, the informational meeting is scheduled for 3:00 p.m. and the public hearing is scheduled for 7 p.m. in the Barrow City Chambers on March 25, 2008. EPA will invite participation from those present on the teleconference line and will do its best to capture questions and comments from all participants.

If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact Dan Mahar of my staff at 206-553-7079.

Sincerely,

Nancy Helm, Manager
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